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Presidio Portrait

Lt. Col. Richard Chastain

Director of Operations, Plans and Programs
Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center, Presidio of Monterey

Lt. Col. Richard Chastain was commissioned an infantry second lieutenant in 1978, after graduating as a distinguished military graduate from Texas A&M University. He served in a variety of infantry platoon leader, executive officer and battalion staff positions in the 25th Infantry Division from 1979-82. Following graduation from the Armor Advanced Course in 1983, he served as a G1 Operations Officer in the XVIII Airborne Corps at Fort Bragg, N.C.

In 1984, he assumed command of an airborne infantry company, followed by G3 Operations in the 82nd Airborne Division. Chastain then served as an assistant professor of military science at Texas A&M University from 1986-89. He was reassigned to Fort Leavenworth, Kan., as Training and Doctrine Command's National Training Center program manager. In late 1990, he was the secretary, Joint Staff for Joint Task Force-Bravo, Honduras. Upon his return, Chastain became the Joint Readiness Training Center program manager until he began the Command and General Staff Officer's Course in 1991.

In 1992, he became a Battalion S3 in the 7th Infantry Division (Light) at Fort Ord. He returned to Honduras and JTF-B in 1993, as the J3 Plans and Counterdrug officer, and later becoming the J3, director of Operations. In 1994, Chastain was reassigned to the Sixth U.S. Army, Presidio of San Francisco as the Brigade S3 to organize the first Regional Training Brigade and implement the Forces Command Ground Forces Readiness Enhancement Program supporting all combat arms Reserve Components in the western states and U.S. Army, Pacific region. He relocated to Fort Lewis, Wash., when the Regional Training Brigade was formally activated in October 1994.

Chastain's most recent assignment was as the Brigade Executive Officer of the 1st Brigade, 25th Infantry Division (Light) from 1996-98. He became the director of Operations, Plans and Programs in January 1998.

Chastain holds a master of public administration and a bachelor of science degree in psychology, both from Texas A&M. He is a graduate of the U.S. Army



Lt. Col. Richard Chastain

Command and General Staff College, Combined Arms and Services Staff School, Armor Officer's Advanced Course and the Infantry Officer's Basic Course. He has also graduated from the Jumpmaster Course, Force Integration and Combat Development Courses, U.S. Air Force Psychological Operations, Battle Staff and Joint Firepower Control Courses. He has been awarded the U.S. Army Ranger Tab, Master Parachutist Badge and Expert Infantryman's Badge.

He and his wife, Karen, live in Carmel Valley. He has two daughters by a previous marriage, who live in Texas.



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About the cover:

Gen. William Hartzog, the commanding general, United States Army Training and Doctrine Command, visited the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and Presidio of Monterey during the Association of the United States Army Sixth Region annual conference March 13-15 in Monterey. The general also assisted in the official dedication of the General Stilwell Community Center, the former Fort Ord NCO Club, March 14. For more on the events, see stories and photos, pages 5, 9 and 18. (Photo by Bob Britton)

Commander's Notes

Dedication of Stilwell Community Center honors outstanding military commander

When I spoke at the dedication of the Stilwell Community Center in March, I paid homage to one of our country's most able and energetic military commanders, and an outstanding Army trainer, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell.

History has accorded Gen. Stilwell his rightful place among the military leaders of World War II, crediting him for his straightforward and realistic assessments of the military situation within the China-Burma-India Theater of Operations which he commanded.

General Stilwell was a soldier's soldier who shouldered the weight of responsibility for the troops he commanded. He was also a soldier-scholar, whose assessment of America's role in Asia holds up remarkably well in retrospect. His successes in training soldiers are well documented.

Historians such as Barbara Tuchman, in her widely read biography, "Stilwell and the American Experience in China, 1911-1945," published in 1971, note that General Stilwell first glimpsed China and Japan as a young officer in 1911 after serving in the Philippines. He was to return to the Philippines and then to the United States, where as a lieutenant he was stationed at the Presidio of Monterey with an element of the 12th Infantry Regiment in 1912-13.

It was during this assignment that he formed his lifelong attachment to the Monterey Peninsula, which later led to his decision to build a home for his family in Carmel.

General Stilwell's interest in China led to his assignment there as a military attaché starting in 1920, soon after he had been promoted to the rank of major. It was the type of assignment that today might well be filled by a Foreign Area Officer trained in Chinese at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center. In those pre-DLIFLC times, the Army enrolled Stilwell in a university program in Chinese (which Stilwell reportedly found inadequate and frustrating, because there was no provision for practicing



**Col. Daniel Devlin
Commandant of DLIFLC,
Commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey**

Chinese conversation outside the classroom).

In China, Stilwell proved to be an apt student of Chinese history and culture as well as language. Careers such as Gen. Stilwell's proved to the American military establishment the value of training officers and soldiers in foreign languages and area studies.

General Stilwell died in 1946, the year the Army Language School, the forerunner of DLIFLC, was moved to the Presidio of Monterey. At the time of his death, General Stilwell was commander of the Sixth Army, headquartered at the Presidio of San Francisco. He did not live to fulfill his dreams of leisurely retirement at his home in Carmel and he did not witness DLIFLC's coming of age. He is very much with us in spirit and I think of him as an important role model for our Institute, as a soldier-scholar, foreign area specialist, leader and trainer.



AUSA Sixth Region holds annual conference

By Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

The Association of the United States Army Sixth Region held its annual conference March 13-15 at the Holiday Inn Resort in Monterey. The meeting was hosted by retired Maj. Gen. John Hemphill, Sixth Region president and marks the first time the annual conference was held in Monterey.

Other dignitaries attending included Gen. William Hartzog, the commanding general, United States Army Training and Doctrine Command; retired Lt. Gen. Theodore Stroup Jr., AUSA vice president, education; retired Lt. Gen. Ellis Parker, co-chairman, chief of staff of the Army's retiree council and Department of Defense retiree council, and civilian aide to the Secretary of the Army for Northern California; and AUSA Sixth Region General Black Jack Pershing Award winner, retired Col. Henry Morris, United States Marine Corps Reserve.

The highlight of March 13 was the golf tournament held at Rancho Cañada Golf course in Carmel Valley. Simultaneously, a tour of the Presidio of Monterey and Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center was held for conference attendees not golfing. The day ended with an awards dinner and social hour at the Rancho Cañada Club House.

The March 14 agenda was a full slate beginning with a closed delegates' breakfast meeting followed by an open session. The Honorable Dan Albert, mayor of Monterey; Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of DLIFLC and commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio; and retired Col. Richard Adams, president, Stilwell Chapter, gave welcoming remarks. Following the opening remarks, Dr. James McNaughton, DLIFLC command historian,

talked about the Presidio's heritage and the mission of the DLIFLC. Following this, Parker gave a talk on retiree activities and continued involvement through congressional letters and phone calls. Maj. Gen. Ronald Lowe then spoke about the Eighth U.S. Army in a speech entitled "Facing Harm's Way." Stroup spoke at



Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant, DLIFLC and commander, DLIFLC and Presidio of Monterey, accepts the Sixth Region Distinguished Unit Commendation from Gen. William Hartzog.
(Photos by Army Staff Sgt. Linda Kessinger)

lunch on what AUSA does for the total army. Later in the afternoon, Devlin hosted the dedication of the General Stilwell Community Center which included a reception at the Presidio of Monterey Annex. Hemphill then held an open chapter delegates meeting prior to the awards banquet and reception.

Hartzog was the guest speaker during the banquet and spoke about "The Future of Force 21." The banquet began with the posting of the colors and national anthem by the DLIFLC/POM Army Color Guard. Lt. Col. Charles Reese, the Installation chaplain, gave the invocation before the Presidio guests heard opening remarks from Hemphill. After the dinner, the Sixth Region AUSA awards presentation was held. The Stilwell Chapter earned seven awards. (See list, page 6)

A noncommissioned officers breakfast started things off March 14. The breakfast was hosted by Command Sgt. Maj. Joseph Sweeney, vice-president, noncommissioned officers/enlisted affairs, Sixth Region. Hemphill then gave the region's president's report prior to hearing chapter reports from all other chapter presidents and representatives. Retired Col. Duane Hardesty, the region vice-president ROTC/JROTC affairs, then talked about the ROTC and JROTC programs. The topic "Managing the Future" was then hosted by retired Col. Dickie McKinney, director, regional operations. David Rogers, deputy director, regional operations, AUSA, discussed chapter development prior to Hemphill closing out the weekend's meeting.

Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Kessinger, the assistant inspector general of DLIFLC and an AUSA Stilwell Chapter member, received two awards at the dinner March 14. A native of Jacksonville, Ill., Kessinger has been in the Army for nearly 14 years. He has been



Command Sgt. Maj. Debra Smith, DLIFLC and POM command sergeant major, shakes the hand of Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Kessinger after he won the AUSA Sixth Region President's medal.

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Lt. Col. Jack Isler, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter, receives the Sixth Region President's Award, presented by Gen. William Hartzog.

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stationed in Monterey since November 1996 and a member of AUSA since 1994. He received the Sergeant Patrick Gass Award for excellence and also the Sixth Region President's Medal.

"I don't know an awful lot about either award, but I do know the Sergeant Patrick Gass Award is an enlisted honor the region bestows. I was quite surprised about winning that award and didn't know about it until a week before the banquet," he said. "I was very happy to receive these awards, and it was nice being recognized for my volunteer efforts. I thought the dinner was nice, and Major Joseph Moore did a superb job organizing and putting together the registration and dinner. Additionally, I thought the color guard looked sharp and did a good job."

Kessinger, whose wife, Sgt. 1st Class Linda Kessinger is also a member of AUSA, assisted Moore with the registration of AUSA members and also helped with the planning of dinner. "I think the conference went well overall," he said. "Thanks to everyone who volunteered and contributed to the meeting, I think it was quite successful. It was also enlightening to hear the actual TRADOC commander talk of the past, speak on where his command is going in the future, and talk of the vision of the Army's future. Hearing General Hartzog talk was interesting."

Kessinger said he feels the Stilwell Chapter is remaining very active. "Our chapter is more proactive than ever before – at least dating back to the closure of Fort Ord. I think all soldiers should become actively involved in either AUSA or the Non Commissioned Officers Association," he noted. "Much like NCOA, the AUSA helps support soldiers, which in turn helps the Army. In our chapter, we support the local chapter goals we set, which in turn support the national goals of AUSA."

Sixth Region Awards for 1997

(Bold print denotes award winners from DLIFLC and POM)
General of the Armies John J. Pershing Distinguished Service

Award: Retired USMCR Col. Henry Morris, civilian aide to the Secretary of the Army, California (North)

Sergeant Patrick Gass Award for Excellence: **Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Kessinger, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter**

Sixth Region President's Award: **Lt. Col. Jack Isler, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter**

Brigadier General Alex R. Cunningham Memorial Award For Best Performance and Achievement by a Chapter: Maj. Gen. William F. Dean Chapter

Sixth Region President's Award for Outstanding Chapter Achievement: **Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter**

Sixth Region Membership Achievement Awards for Attaining AUSA Individual Membership Goal: Central California Chapter

Active Duty Officer Membership: Mother Lode Chapter

Active Duty Enlisted Membership: **Gen. Joseph W.**

Stilwell Chapter

Civilian Membership: Fort Lewis Chapter, Seattle Chapter


Corporate Membership: Maj. Gen. William F. Dean Chapter

Sixth Region Distinguished Unit Commendation: 351st Civil

Affairs Command, **Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center** and Jet Battalion, JROTC, Encinal High School

Sixth Region Exceptional Contributions Award: Safeway Stores, Danville, Calif.

Sixth Region Public Service Award: Dean Woo, Royale Pacific Motor Inn and **Public Affairs Office, DLIFLC and POM**

Sixth Region President's Medals: Maj. Gen. Ronald Markarian, Central California Chapter; **Sgt. 1st Class Daniel Kessinger, Gen. Joseph W. Stilwell Chapter**; Robert Rothwell, Fort Lewis Chapter; Carole Childress, Silicon Valley Chapter; Col. Franklin Loewus (Posthumous), Silicon Valley Chapter; and Lt. Col. Wangyee Vang, Central California Chapter 



TRADOC Commander Gen. William Hartzog presents the Sixth Region President's Award for Outstanding Chapter Achievement to retired Chaplain (Col.) Richard Adams, Stilwell Chapter President.

Iranians celebrate No Rooz

Editor's Note: The following article is based on excerpts from "Iran," by Charlotte Albright, edited by Youssef Arbab, chairperson, Persian Department B, European School II.

Iranians in the United States celebrated their New Year called No Rooz March 20. The Iranian faculty and staff at the Persian program at the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center celebrated this festive occasion by giving departmental parties for themselves and their students and guests. This marked the year 1377.

The Iranian New Year celebration has its deep roots in the culture and history of the Persian Empire. Like the celebration of the New Year in all other cultures, it is partly myth and partly history.

Imagine celebrating the New Year not in the dead of winter, but at the beginning of spring, with the return of the birds and flowering trees. This has been the cus-

tom for Iranians for thousands of years! For Iranians the new year begins at the vernal equinox, the precise time in the spring when the sun crosses the equator, making the day and the night equal length. The vernal equinox usually falls on March 21. No Rooz means "new day" in the Persian Language. Today No Rooz is a celebration lasting from the Tuesday evening before the vernal equinox until the 13th day afterward. For this happy festival families enjoy getting together, preparing special food, and decorating their houses with special symbolic objects.

No Rooz festival is rooted in Iran's ancient past. According to legend, the mythical king Jamshid first taught his people to build, weave, mine, and make weapons. He then conquered the demons, whom he made work for people. Finally, he had the demons build him a crystal carriage which carried him across the sky. Iranians began to celebrate No



Manoochehr Habashi, Persian Department B team leader, lights candles at the traditional No Rooz table during the celebration.



Iranian faculty and staff at the DLIFLC Persian program gather with their students and guests to celebrate No Rooz March 20. (Photos by Bob Britton)

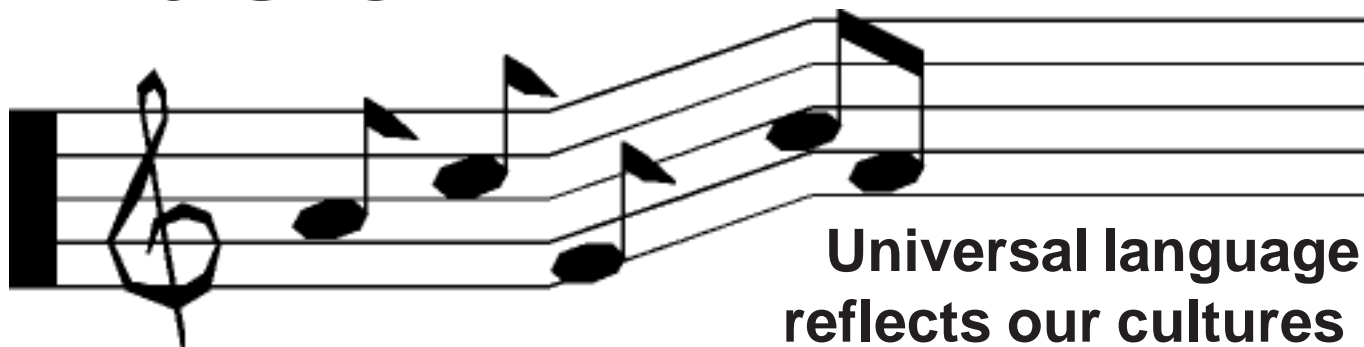
Rooz to commemorate the flight of the crystal carriage.

Whatever the legends, many people around the world have celebrations at the beginning of the growing season to welcome warmer weather, wish for abundant crops and flocks, and to say good-bye to the harsh winter months. The Iranian No Rooz has much in common with these agricultural celebrations.

Before Iranians converted to Islam in the seventh century, they had been Zoroastrians for nearly 1,600 years. Zoroastrianism emphasized that people should try to be good and avoid evil. It was during the centuries when Iranians were Zoroastrians that the celebrations for No Rooz were formalized. The No Rooz feast was only one of 23 religious feasts celebrated during that year. It is one of the few of those old Zoroastrian feasts that is still celebrated.



Music



Universal language reflects our cultures

By Army Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth Sampson
World Religions Instructor, Directorate of Curriculum and Instruction

“The voice of the people,” says Alexander Holodiloff of European School I, “is repeatedly expressed through music.” Holodiloff, professor of Russian and director of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center’s student member Russian choir, goes on to say no matter how restrictive, authoritarian or demagogic the political regime, “people always find an outlet” through music.

In what ways does music help us learn about the culture of the language we study? Can it assist in the day-to-day routine of mastering vocabulary and grammar? For the military linguist, what useful purposes does music serve?

The following ideas, gathered from a discussion with Holodiloff and lunch with students at our Combs dining facility, may assist in providing another helpful tool for mastery of the language we study.

Learning technique

Some Russian choir members credit the choral experience as the one outlet which sustained them through their intensive language course. Music developed vocabulary, speaking and cultural appreciation skills in an atmosphere of enjoyment and delight.

Also, applicable to all linguists choir members or not, putting rote phrases and repetitious words to a tune aids memorization. Such creative application reduces tedious strain. A sense of fun enters the picture.

Adding dimension

A people’s music contains idiomatic expressions. It enlightens concerning traditions, customs, poetry, history, geography and the worship of God. Music tutors us in the nuances of a language.

Choral conductor Robert Shaw commented recently on the

Rachmaninoff Vespers he directed at New York City’s Cathedral of St. John the Divine. The Russian composer’s Vespers “has such extraordinarily deep roots in the folk culture of the people. It has the same smell as their folklore. It’s made of the same dirt.”

Music opens our eyes to the soul and world view of a people often unavailable through any other means.

Sparking interest

Inquisitive minds pursue themes identified in a culture’s music. Whether lullabies, folk songs or religious chants, masses and calls to prayer, classical productions, reggae or rock, hearing a people’s language through their own music motivates us to explore deeper and learn more.

Practical benefit

Too often, classrooms place restrictive blinders on us which hinder learning. At the end of a day, focusing entirely on texts, walls, section members and computer labs becomes counterproductive. To break such monotony, Pfc. Shawn Thane listens to music — any music — during breaks to relax and refocus his thinking. Arabic linguist Pvt. 2 Lauren Travis says “music gets the mind going again.”

A Marine Corps general, in remarks to the 1994 U.S. Army Command and General Staff College Class, stated, “You have to understand the culture you’re getting involved in. We never do a good job of cultural intelligence, of understanding what makes people tick, what their structure is, where authority lies, what is different about their values and their ways of doing business.”

Knowing a society’s music helps us understand “what makes people tick.” Not only is music of practical benefit, offering learning techniques, added dimensions and stimulating interest, but it enriches our lives — soothing frazzled spirits, restoring memories and tranquillity, and enhancing appreciation of God’s glorious world.

Linguists, continue to develop wide-ranging musical interests. In the process you’ll learn, to paraphrase poet Henry Wadsworth Longfellow: music is the universal language of humankind.



Family, military leaders hold dedication ceremony for General Stilwell Community Center March 14

Story and photos by Bob Britton

The spirit of Gen. Joe “Uncle Joe” Stilwell watches over the former Fort Ord. Gen. Joseph Stilwell’s grandson and the Training and Doctrine Command’s commanding general officially dedicated the General Stilwell Community Center, the former Fort Ord NCO Club, during a March 14 ceremony.

Guest speakers included Col. Daniel Devlin, the DLIFLC commandant and DLIFLC and Presidio of Monterey commander; retired Col. John Easterbrook, Gen. Stilwell’s grandson; and Gen. William Hartzog, the TRADOC commander since 1994.

“It is my honor to pay respect to General Joe Stilwell — one of the makers of our modern Army,” said Hartzog. “As is true of many of the generals of that era, General Stilwell had a wide-ranging career. He spent long years waiting promotions in a very thin, very spread out, very com-

mitted Army. The end result was a seasoned, well educated and well trained officer.

“Joe Stilwell played a major role in the development of this community,” Hartzog continued. “As commander of the 7th Infantry Division, and later commander of III Corps, he oversaw the construction of much of Fort Ord. Known for his candor and his moral courage, Joe Stilwell was a ‘soldier’s soldier’ — deeply committed to his people, his Army, his nation. I have to think he would approve of this dedication today. We are fortunate his grandchildren could attend today’s ceremony.”

Hartzog also mentioned that Stilwell’s legacy and experience live on at Fort Ord, the Presidio and the Army Infantry Center, Fort Benning, Ga. Both Hartzog and Stilwell were infantry officers and leaders throughout much of their careers.

Easterbrook described his grandfather as a man of many talents: an athlete, a poet, lecturer, fluent linguist, military tactician, and a “soldier’s soldier.”

“General Stilwell visited the Monterey area the first time in 1904 and returned to the Presidio of Monterey in 1912 with the 12th Infantry Regiment when it returned from duty in the Philip-



Members of the DLIFLC Joint Service Color Guard march between rows of people who attended the dedication ceremony. The color guard opened and closed the ceremony.



Gen. William Hartzog, commanding general, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command

pines,” Easterbrook said. “In 1920 he bought five lots on Carmel Point for his future home. General Stilwell was happiest commanding Fort Ord and the 7th Infantry Division and always wanted to return to his Carmel Point home. While in command at Fort Ord, he habitually walked all over the hills and dunes of the post to observe training, and many times he walked half the 12 miles from his Carmel home to Fort Ord. Soldiers at Fort Ord

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gave him two nicknames: 'Galloping Joe,' for his walking ability and 'Uncle Joe,' for his unique leadership style and interaction with those under his command."

After the general died, a member of the 7th Division Artillery battery during those formative years published a story which typified Stilwell's style of caring for soldiers, mentioned Easterbrook.

"This artilleryman related that one day Stilwell was out observing training, attired in his usual unassuming way," said Easterbrook. "He came upon a noon meal being served by this artillery battery and observed soldiers were only taking coffee, bread and butter, but leaving the meat and vegetables untouched. The

men chuckled as this unidentified 'old soldier' entered the mess line, took something of everything and sat down to sample it. A few grumbles were heard coming from this 'old soldier,' and very shortly, he got up and deposited what he had taken in a garbage can. Then in pop-eyed amazement, he took note that the officers were having lunch in a roped off area with benches and tables, complete with tablecloths and a variety of canned goods to include a large ham.

"He then made a beeline for the officers' area, eliciting even more attention and astonishment from the soldiers," continued Easterbrook. "They knew this 'old soldier' was bucking for a court martial! As the troops stared in open-mouthed awe, unbelievably all the battery officers came to attention and saluted this 'old

soldier.' They heard him say, 'Gentlemen, will you accompany me?' and they all went into the woods together. At this point the kitchen police passed around the word that this 'old soldier' was none other than the division commander.

"When all the officers returned, the food from the officers' area was put in the mess line for the troops, and the next day a new mess sergeant and staff of cooks appeared," continued Easterbrook.

"The author reports officers immediately became more human, and the climax of the incident was that in one week the battery developed into a close knit, fiercely proud unit that performed extremely well throughout the war."

Much construction work took place in 1940 to build up Fort Ord when Stilwell became the commanding general of Fort Ord and the reactivated 7th Infantry Division. He also noticed officers had clubs and other recreational facilities, but the soldiers had none. That's when he came up with the idea of soldiers' recreational facilities, including clubs, overlooking the Monterey Bay along the beach range area. The Soldiers Club, dubbed the "million-dollar club" was the finest enlisted club for its time in the Army. It was completed and opened in September 1943. During its construction, soldiers stationed at Fort Ord contributed 25 cents, noncommissioned officers paid 50 cents, and officers chipped in with \$1 per month, mentioned Easterbrook.

The Soldiers Club at Fort Ord later became an NCO Club, a recreational center and the Stilwell Hall community center, which closed down in 1994 with the closure of Fort Ord. Originally, Stilwell envisioned separate soldiers, NCO and officers clubs in the area, along with a chapel and outdoor athletic fields. However, only the Soldiers Club was built because the Army stopped funding the complex project, and money was diverted elsewhere during World War II.

Retired Master Sgt. Edwin Larson remembers Stilwell from a personal view. While Stilwell commanded the reactivated Sixth Army at the Presidio of San Francisco in 1946, Larson was on duty at the station dispensary when he was detailed to be Stilwell's medical orderly and enlisted escort for medical tests at Letterman Army Hospital. He served as Stilwell's medical orderly until the general died in October 1946.

"It was a wonderful dedication ceremony to General Stilwell," Larson said. "Three of us here today served with him either during the war years or afterward. I was surprised when Colonel Easterbrook mentioned my name in his speech. I didn't



Photos, such as the one above, showing the general's Army career hang as a pictorial tribute in the memorial hall of the community center.

expect it.”

Stilwell’s name is no stranger to the Army on the Monterey Peninsula. It is memorialized and appears all around the former Fort Ord and on the Presidio of Monterey. The Presidio has a Stilwell Road, while the former Fort Ord features Stilwell Hall, the Joseph W. Stilwell Elementary School, Stilwell housing area and now the General Stilwell Community Center.

Months before the ceremony started, Laura Gross, the wife of Col. David Gross, the garrison commander, and Kevin Moore, director of Army Community Service and the dedication ceremony coordinator, came up with the idea for the formal dedication and pictorial display. They contacted the Stilwell family and historical sources for possible photos. The family and other sources responded with several pictures about the general’s family and Army career, including several front page photos on World War II-era magazines such as “Life,” “Time,” “The Saturday Review” and “Colliers.” Then, about two weeks before the event, Mrs. Gross created the lasting pictorial tribute to the general in the memorial hall of the building. Pictures cover his West Point cadet days, different promotions, meeting world leaders and other general officers, and personal glimpses of his family.

Master Sgt. David Bartlett, garrison sergeant major, likewise made significant contributions to coordinating the logistical requirements of the ceremony.

After the dedication, Easterbrook mentioned some personal and family anecdotes about his grandfather. He said Stilwell was an outstanding cadet athlete



Winifred Cox, one of Gen. Stilwell’s daughters, and her husband, retired Col. W. Ellis Cox, listen to speakers during the dedication ceremony.

at West Point, who quarterbacked the football team, captained the cross country team, and started the basketball program there. “Once in a track meet against two Ivy League opponents, the Army team scored 18 points, and my grandfather scored 16 of them,” Easterbrook said.

After West Point graduation in 1904, 2nd Lt. Stilwell was stationed in the Philippines for his first duty assignment with the 12th Infantry Regiment. While on a jungle patrol with his unit, his company commander asked him to check the rear of the column for stragglers. At the rear of the column, Stilwell who was also leading

a prisoner, came upon the unit first sergeant, who had fallen down from heat exhaustion. Before the column could be stopped, it disappeared into the dense jungle. The future general and the prisoner carried the first sergeant, trying to follow and catch up with the column, all the time expecting to be ambushed and killed by the insurgents. They finally caught up with the rest of the company in a bivouac area that evening, mentioned Easterbrook.

“When they joined up with the unit, the company commander said ‘Oh, there you are,’ without asking about what happened to them,” Easterbrook said. “My grandfather remembered that non-caring commander for the rest of his Army career. From that experience, he learned to always look out for and take care of his soldiers first.”

After Stilwell became commanding general of the Army Ground Forces in World War II, he personally presented a Distinguished Service Cross to Mary Masuda, the sister of a Japanese-American soldier. Her brother was cited for his heroism in Europe as a soldier with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, Easterbrook mentioned.

“Mary Matsuda had recently returned from the Gila Relocation Camp, and some neighbors had made disparaging remarks about Japanese-Americans,” said Easterbrook. “My grandfather heard about them and said that Japanese-Americans had endured much hardship and racism during World War II, and they were Americans. Then he said he was a charter member of the ‘pick ax club,’ pledged to come to the aid of any Japanese-American not fully accepted in our

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society as an American.”

Stilwell's career before World War I took him back to West Point as a military instructor and twice to the Philippines. In World War I, he served as a staff intelligence officer with the 80th Division detached to the French XVII Corps near Verdun. In a similar capacity, he was the intelligence officer for the American IV Corps who helped plan the St. Mihiel offensive. Between the wars, he spent several years in China as a language student and later military attaché to China and Siam, which is today's Thailand. Stilwell also headed the tactical section of the Army Infantry School at Fort Benning, Ga.

The general received his second star in 1941 and went from Fort Ord and the 7th Infantry Division to command of the III Corps stationed at the Presidio of Monterey. In this new job, he was responsible for defense of most of the West Coast. Next, President Roosevelt selected him to assist the Chinese Army against the Japanese. He later became the commander of the China-Burma-India Theater of Operations. He and his combined Allied forces rebuilt the Burma Road for a logistical lifeline into China. His final assignment was commanding general of the recently reactivated Sixth Army before he died at the Presidio of San Francisco in 1946.

Grandson Easterbrook graduated from the United States Military Academy in 1962 and retired as a colonel in 1984. He earned his master's degree in Operations Research/Systems Analysis at the Naval Postgraduate School. Assignments included Brazil, Thailand and Vietnam overseas and forts Carson, Colo.; Riley, Kan.; Gordon, Ga.; and Monmouth, N.J. in the United States. He also worked in the Pentagon in the office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Research and Development. Easterbrook is a graduate of the Com-

mand and General Staff College at Fort Leavenworth, Kan., and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces in Washington, D.C.

After his Army retirement, Easterbrook joined a large communications corporation in Burlingame, Calif. Today he is the director of the Installation, Operations and Maintenance Division of the corporation's Fiber Optics Network west of the Mississippi River.

Hartzog, a native of Wilmington, N.C., graduated from The Citadel, the Military College of South Carolina, in 1963 as an infantry second lieutenant, and he holds a master's degree from Appalachian State University, N.C. He graduated from the basic and advanced Infantry Officers Courses, the U.S. Marine Corps Command and General Staff College and the U.S. Army War College.

Hartzog spent most of his career in infantry assignments, including two combat tours in Vietnam, and was the J-3 for the U.S. Southern Command in Panama during Operation Just Cause. He commanded the 1st Infantry Division, Fort Riley, Kan., U.S. Army South in Panama, the 197th Infantry Brigade and was assistant commandant of the Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Ga.

The Defense Language Institute



Army members review photos of the general and his family on the walls of the the memorial hall of the newly dedicated General Stilwell Community Center.

Foreign Language Center Joint Service Color Guard opened and closed the ceremony, while Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Angela Larson, an Arabic student, sang the National Anthem. Dr. James McNaughton, the DLIFLC command historian narrated the event. Some of the attendees included Winifred Cox, one of Gen. Stilwell's daughters; other family members, including great grandchildren; members of the Fort Ord military community; and representatives from the People's Republic of China Embassy.



Federal Women's Program Committee honors award winners

By Joseph Morgan

An Army captain and two civilian employees were honored by the Federal Women's Program Committee as 1997's Outstanding Woman, Outstanding Employee and Outstanding Supervisor in a ceremony held March 19 as part of the observance of Women's History Month.

Recognized as Outstanding Woman of the Year was Capt. Jenifer Meno, staff nurse at Headquarters, 3rd ROTC Brigade.

Recognized as Outstanding Employee of the Year was Sylvia Rodriguez, secretary of European School I.

Recognized as Outstanding Supervisor of the Year was Ishka Jenson, chairperson of the Multi-Language Department, European and Latin American School.

The awardees were honored at an afternoon ceremony conducted by the Presidio's FWPC Manager Despina White at Weckerling Center's Bayview Room. She noted that 1997 marked the 16th year in which the awards, based on nominations received by the FWPC, have been presented.

Meno was recognized as "a skilled mentor and teacher and role model for cadets" and "a leader who keeps her professional skills finely tuned."

Rodriguez was cited for "unselfish dedication and devotion to diverse duty requirements" and for tact, confidence and good humor.

Jenson was recognized for "exceptional communication skills, dedication to mission accomplishment, high professional standards" and for supervisory ability.

In attendance were Col. Daniel Devlin, Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center commandant and DLIFLC and Presidio of Monterey commander, and Col. David Gross, garrison commander. Guest speaker for the event was Jeanne Costello, Director of Women's Studies at Monterey Peninsula College.

"If we look at our Institute today, across the board, women are represented in every job that's here," Devlin told the attendees, "and that's as it should be."

Devlin noted that 35 percent of the service members at DLIFLC are women and that women comprise 50 percent of the Institute's civilian workforce.

"I think that's a sign of a healthy workplace," he said. "Women are producing and performing government service for the good of the country. Their contributions have made today's military better than when I entered it 30-plus years ago."

Devlin urged attendees to reflect upon the role of women in history.

"And let's not forget the accomplishments that are being



Despina White, Federal Women's Program Committee manager, presents flowers to guest speaker Jeanne Costello, director of Women's Studies at Monterey Peninsula College. (Photo by Mary Erner)

made today," he said.

Costello outlined the grassroots origin and growth of Women's History Month, pointing out that like many national movements, it began in California.

"In the 1970s the Commission on the Status of Women in Sonoma County decided to initiate a celebration of Women's History Week," Costello said. "As a result of the women's movement of the 1960s and 1970s, many leaders of women's organizations realized that schoolchildren in kindergarten through 12th grade were learning very little about women in history."

Parades, poetry readings and essay contests relating to women's history were among the activities in Sonoma County's first Women's History Week observances, Costello said.

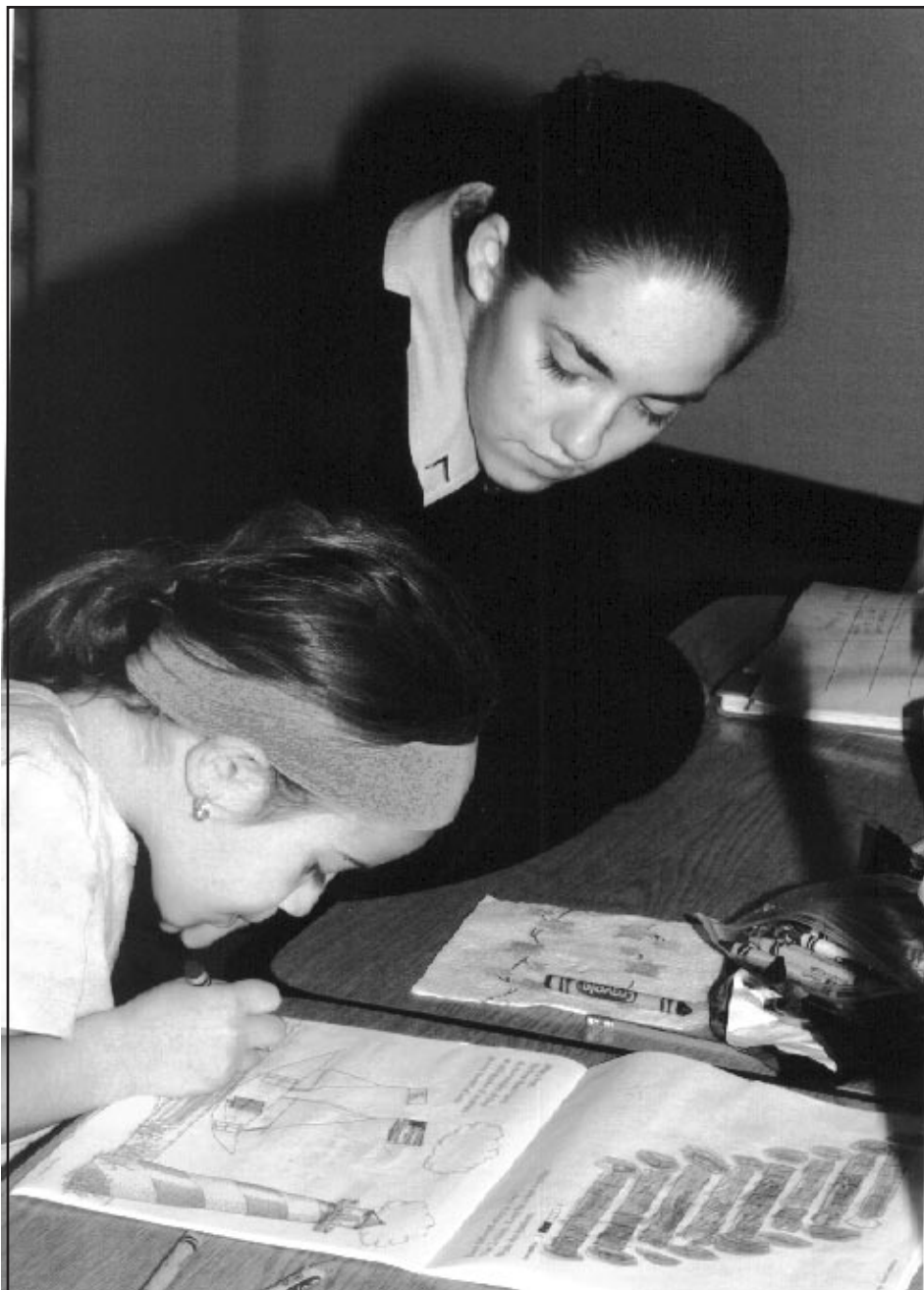
"Within a few years, Women's History Week was being observed informally in a lot of schools and cities and towns across the country," Costello said. "Some groups back East decided to join the Sonoma County group in pushing for a joint Congressional resolution declaring Women's History Week throughout the nation."

The resolution was approved in 1981, Costello said, and with each passing year Women's History Week grew in popularity, encouraged by mayors, city councils, school boards, governors and legislators.

Costello said the National Women's History Project, as the Sonoma County group came to be called, went to work in the 1980s to lengthen the focus on women's history to a month-long observance. By Congressional resolution, Women's History Month was instituted in 1987.



Saturday Scholars



Pvt. 2 Tanya Koop observes as her student Alexandria Allioti intently works on a drawing.
(Photos by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen)

Education, opportunity, advancement — it's not just for the military

By Petty Officer 2nd Class Christa Mariacher
**Arabic Military Language Instructor,
Naval Security Group Detachment
Saturday Scholars Coordinator**

What motivates DLIFLC service members to don their uniforms on Saturday mornings? Education, opportunity, advancement — it's not just for the military.

An average of 50 service members selflessly give their personal time on Saturday mornings for a worthy cause. They



Trevor Rains listens to **Pfc. Adam Abshire's** comments during Saturday Scholars.

tutor young children of Monte Vista Elementary School who are nominated by their teachers as the students who would most benefit from the individualized attention.

Saturday Scholars came into existence for the Naval Security Group Detachment in 1993 when Mickey Tachibana and Marilyn Whitcomb, both teachers at Monte Vista Elementary School, proposed the program to NSGD. The program started with about 20 students and 20 tutors. Since then, the program coordinators and staff members at NSGD have doubled the size of the program and solicited the support of the Marine Corps Detachment. Along the way, the Saturday Scholars program has also caught the attention of the sister services. Now, this great program boasts sailors, Marines, soldiers and airmen.

In pairs or individually, the tutors volunteer their Saturday mornings to work with first through fifth graders in the three R's. They help the students with their school work and provide them with positive role models. Amidst all of the hard work, there is time for fun during the recess break. Our tutors have become expert dodge ball, kick ball and four square players.

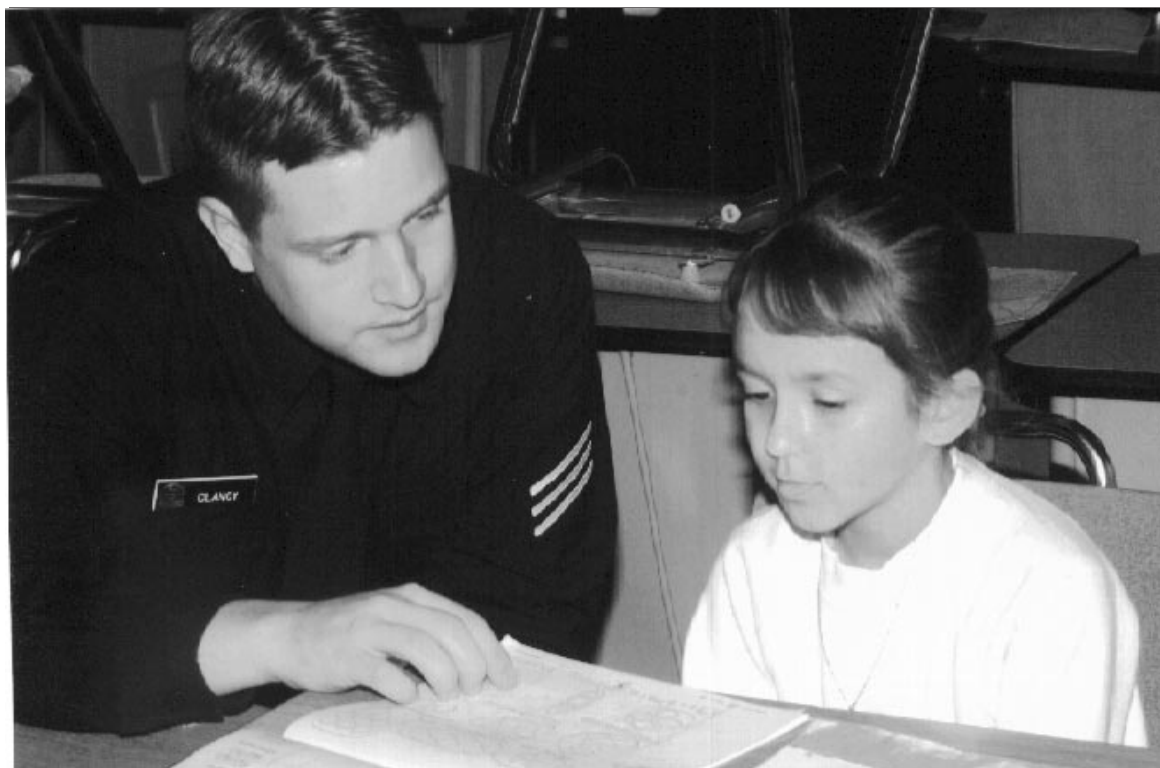
Saturday Scholars is an award-winning program having

received the "Friend of Education" award given by the Monterey Bay Teacher's Association in May 1996, and it is easy to see why. This program is a total win-win situation. The youth of this community benefit from the dedication and spirit of our service members, while we feel pride and that warm fuzzy for a job definitely well done.

Currently we are halfway through the school year. However, if military members are interested in becoming a Saturday Scholars tutor, we will look for motivated people to volunteer at the beginning of the 1998-'99 school year in September. For more information, call me at 242-5541.



Lance Cpl. Christopher Lindsey checks out his student Marisa Kimber-Barr's answer to a question during Saturday Scholars.



Seaman Michael Clancy reviews an assignment with his student, Jessica Wells.

DLI memories

Russian graduate revisits Presidio after 26-year absence

By Bob Britton

He's a Russian language graduate, a director of global programs, a professor, a college dean and a linguist fluent in several languages. Although he graduated from the Defense Language Institute Basic Russian Course in 1972, this year marked the first time he returned to the Presidio of Monterey.

Dr. Seth Gopin is the director of global programs, a professor of art history, and the dean of undergraduate education at Rutgers University, New Brunswick, N.J., which is the third largest university in the United States.

During his brief reunion at the Institute, Dr. Gopin received an update briefing from Ben De La Selva, dean of European School I, drove around campus and attended a Russian class graduation. De La Selva told him about the changes over the years, the increase of Russian students to about 300 a year, and how the Russian language program is taught in two separate schools located at opposite ends of the Presidio. The dean also informed him of re-emphasis on Serbian-Croatian and the decrease of teaching Polish and Czech languages.

"Recently, the president of Rutgers University asked me to coordinate everything international for the educational facility," Gopin said. "As director of global programs, I look at everything around the world. I am sort of the Madeline Albright of the university. This job takes me from Bhutan in the Himalayas to Taiwan, to

Namibia in Africa to Europe. Usually once a month, I'm overseas somewhere."

When he studied Russian at the Defense Language Institute, his barracks was in Smith Hall, now occupied by Companies A and C, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion. His Russian classrooms were across the street in the one-story facilities now called the Operations, Plans and Programs Directorate.

"We went to school six days a week, and we virtually lived within those two spaces, except when we went off base for movies downtown," Gopin said. "Rarely did we leave that small area. During the Vietnam War, we had about 50-60 Russian students in the classrooms. This included servicemen from all branches of the military service."

He was already fluent in French and had studied in France for a year, before he decided to join the Army and take advantage of the educational benefits of the GI Bill. For his four-year enlistment, he remained in the Army Security Agency, the predecessor to today's military intelligence career field. After DLI graduation, he received additional training at Goodfellow Air Force Base, Texas, and Fort Meade, Md., before his ultimate assignment to Germany. Most linguists became analysts or translators.

When Gopin studied Russian at DLI, all students worked and studied hard, just like they do today. Their language requirement was a medium proficiency-level in listening and reading. Some students failed along the way, but most of his classmates graduated with him.

"When I went through, it was more of an oral comprehension course," Gopin said. "My class enjoyed particularly speaking and writing the language. Some of my classmates and I had a rule that we would only speak Russian when we went to downtown Monterey or Cannery Row. There were no canneries then. If we bought movie tickets, we only spoke in Russian and found it lots of fun. Even though it was primarily a listening course, we ended up speaking Russian more than people realized."

Gopin enjoyed several interesting experiences in Germany. "People were very curious about us and wanted to visit us, both the Russians and Americans," he said. "We had people come through like General Alexander Haig and Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, whom I got to brief and talk with. We also had unwelcome visitors from the Russian mission cars to our little hilltop site. (Diplomatic cars with Russian license

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Dr. Seth Gopin

plates were restricted from driving in certain areas of the Federal Republic of Germany. Violators were supposed to be reported to the proper military or German authorities.)”

The strict academic discipline and hard work at DLI prepared him later on to become fluent in several other languages. While stationed with ASA in Germany, he became fluent in German. After his Army days, he added fluency in Swahili, Hebrew and Chinese to his resume and credentials.

“There’s no doubt in my mind that everything traces back to my learning experience at DLI,” he said. “The confidence that DLI gave me to learn the Russian language also helped me to learn other languages afterward. I knew how to learn a language, which gave me extra confidence in my abilities. Today, I have no fear of languages. French is my primary foreign language, followed by Russian, German, some Romance languages, then Hebrew, Swahili and Chinese.”

After his Army enlistment ended, he was accepted by Harvard University, but he chose Grinnell College in Iowa. He entered college with two years of course work already done, thanks to his pre-Army French knowledge and experience and his language training at DLI, Goodfellow and other places. He finished his undergraduate studies in one year. Then the GI Bill helped pay for his master’s and doctorate degrees at Rutgers, where he remained after graduation.

Rutgers will give about 18 credit hours of languages for a graduate of the DLI 47-week Russian course. This is the equivalent of a third-year Russian student at Rutgers, Gopin mentioned.

“Staff and faculty at Rutgers know I was at DLI in the Army studying Russian,” Gopin said. “If students are interested in a military intelligence language career, they come and talk to me. I tell them everything I know about DLI, although some of my knowledge is 20 years old. I always paint DLI as a positive image for language learning. Usually the opposite happens, where some students go in the military service first and pursue college studies afterward. Some students went first to DLI, learned their languages, and returned to the civilian world as college students for their undergraduate or graduate degrees at Rutgers. Sometimes they run into me, and we swap experiences.”

During his global travels, people ask him where he received his language training, and he always mentions the DLI language studies. People are quite impressed because DLI has an excellent worldwide reputation. This Army training serves him well at all levels of academics.

The stamps on his passport reflect the many countries he has visited, but one place impressed him the most. “I would say it’s the small country of Bhutan in the Himalayas,” he said. “It’s a country which only allows 3,000 Westerners in a year, and it’s the only Buddhist state on earth. Many people in the isolated nation never heard of World War II or America. When I visited there, it was literally stepping back into another century. That was the most impressive place I’ve visited. However, I’m a Francophile, so I always enjoy France and the language. To live and work in this country is very exciting.”

What advice does Gopin give to potential language students?

“To me, the success of studying a foreign language is not being afraid to make a fool out of yourself,” he said. “Americans are very uptight about making mistakes. To properly study a foreign language, you will make mistakes. Don’t be afraid to make mistakes or ask questions. You learn a lot from your mistakes. Just go out, do it and learn the language.”



Awards

Legion of Merit

Lt. Col. Larry Hebebrand

Defense Meritorious Service Medal

Senior Master Sgt. Debra Ritchie

Master Sgt. John Jaworski

Army Commendation Medal

Sgt. James Mare

Spc. Derek Sheets

Joint Service Achievement Medal

Sgt. 1st Class Teresa Jackson

Military Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal

Spc. Derek Sheets

Sixth Region, Association of United States Army Stilwell Chapter sponsors golf tournament

14 teams, 55 players compete during inaugural AUSA event

Story and photos by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen

"The bottom line to this is that it couldn't have been a better start to the AUSA conference. Everyone had fun." Those were the words of Air Force Capt. Richard Visosky, coordinator of the inaugural Association of the United States Army Stilwell Chapter Golf Tournament. The tournament was held March 13 and served as the kickoff for the Sixth Region Meeting.



Rod Brown, who won the competition for closest to the pin, follows through as he tees off.

According to Visosky, the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center protocol officer, 14 teams consisting of 55 players competed. "It was a scramble format where everyone tees off, then hits from the best shot or position, and that format continues until the ball is in the hole," he said. "We also used a shotgun start where all the teams began together on different holes. I guess the term comes from everyone teeing off at high noon by the signal of a shotgun blast."

A 3-handicap golfer himself with nearly five years in the Air Force, Visosky has been stationed at DLIFLC for two years. He began playing golf at the age of 10 and was captain on his high school team before becoming a four-year letterman on the Air Force Academy team and competing in the tough Western Athletic Conference. He anchored the winning Team No. 1, garnering the low-net score during the tournament. The team was comprised of Eric Brown, Rod Brown, Lt. Col. Jack Isler, the Institute's executive officer, and himself. Besides taking the low-net team title, Rod Brown also won the closest to the pin award for the men on hole number 10. "He knocked it within two feet, 10 and a half inches of the pin," he noted. "We had two team categories and winning the low gross team title was Team No. 4 consisting of Brian Jaskiewicz, Bernie Tacheney and Art Flores. Their fourth member, Cliff Thornburg couldn't make it, so they ended up with only a threesome. Their winning score of 13 under par was amazing."

According to Visosky, Karen Dilullo won the women's longest drive competition. Men's longest drive honors went to Gary Becton, and the combined straightest drive award went to Art Flores.

Visosky said he felt the tournament ran smoothly. "I don't feel we had any glitches," he said. "We had a perfect day for golf with gorgeous weather. It seemed to me that everyone was having fun and happy, and I think it ran as smoothly as I and everyone else associated with organizing the event could've hoped for."

"Personally, I had a great time and given the yeoman's work that Rancho Cañada had to do because of the effects of El Niño to make this tournament happen, well, we had great support," said Isler, AUSA Stilwell Chapter active duty advisor and tournament participant.

Isler mentioned that AUSA Stilwell Chapter hopes to continue hosting this tournament each year. "Obviously, the conference and golf tournament are two separate and distinct entities," he said. "As far as hosting the conference goes, well, that's a

one-shot deal that comes along maybe every 10 years or so. However, we do hope to continue hosting the golf tournament on a yearly basis. The potential is definitely there, and we'd very much like to hold it here every year."

Tom Jager, the manager of Duffy's Tavern, who along with his wife and owner of Duffy's Tavern, Vanessa, are one of the corporate sponsors of AUSA Stilwell Chapter, participated in the tournament, and his team finished tied for third in the net category. "I liked the scramble format and the shotgun start," he mentioned. "I thought the tournament was well organized and ran smoothly. Our team had a great time, and we are looking forward to participating again next year. For the \$90 entry fee per person, it was a very good deal."

The entry fee included the participants receiving wind shirts, dinner, golf greens' fees, carts and a boxed lunch. During the dinner, various gifts and certificates were donated by corporate sponsors and raffled off. Jager won a one-night stay at the Mariposa Inn, and Duffy's donated a certificate for dinner for two, just to name a couple of the prizes. "I was happy to win but was really looking forward to winning those San Jose Sharks tickets," he said in reference to the hockey tickets that were donated by Pacific Gas & Electric Company, another one of the corporate sponsors of AUSA.

Visosky wanted to send out special kudos to Todd Pontti, the Professional Golfer's Association of America director of golf at Rancho Cañada Golf Club. "Pontti and his entire staff made it very easy to hold a golf tournament," he noted. "All I did was give them a list of the teams participating and players names and told them what we wanted in the tournament, and they did the rest. They made it look so easy, but of course, they hold so many tournaments it's second nature for them.

"Also, they did a superb job at having the courses up and playable considering the wet, flooding conditions we experienced throughout February," he said. "Their maintenance crews did an outstanding job, when you think the course wasn't even open one week prior to our tournament. They actually put a new course together for us made out of a combination of both of their courses and called it El Niño Norte!"

According to Isler, money raised by the golf tournament goes into the AUSA Stilwell Chapter account to support soldiers and events to support soldiers. "Some of these events are the Army 10-miler, the annual AUSA softball tournament, which will be held May 26-29 this year, and other awards to soldiers such as soldiers and noncommissioned officers of the month. In other

words, the money is given back to soldiers."

Visosky wanted to thank the following corporate sponsors of AUSA for their participation and assistance with the tournament: Duffy's Tavern, San Carlos Inn, Laguna Seca Raceway, Mariposa Inn, Pacific Gas & Electric, Pebble Beach Company, Holiday Inn/Hilton Hotel and Rancho Cañada. "They all helped out in one way or the other whether it be donating prizes for raffling or lending assistance in other ways," he mentioned. "I'd like to again thank the Rancho Cañada Golf Club for all their support and work as well as Mike Murphy, Major Joseph Moore, Lieutenant Colonel Jack Isler, Dwight Johnson, Dave Dillard and our amiable volunteers from Mariposa Inn – Julie and Kelly. Everyone was great and pitched in, and that made my job extremely easy. It was a total team effort."



Tom Jager, the manager of Duffy's Tavern, one of the corporate sponsors of AUSA Stilwell Chapter, tees off during the tournament.

Presidio Pulse

What improvements have you noticed at either Belas Hall Dining Facility or Combs Dining Facility?

(Inputs compiled by and photos by Petty Officer 1st Class T.E. "Scoop" Hansen)



"Food quality has improved; lines move at an increased rate of speed; food presentation is nice; omelets are great!"

Army Spc. Matthew McFann, Spanish graduate and administrative assistant currently, Charlie Company, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, Hometown: Sacramento, Calif.



"Since the new contractor has taken over, the quality of the food has improved; the customer service has improved; and the hours are more convenient."

Air Force Tech Sgt. Scott Kimble, Military Training Leader, 311th Training Squadron, Hometown: Portland, Ore.



"The improvements I've noticed are the quality of food selection, the service and time of operation. Compared to the dining facilities at other duty locations where I've been stationed, Belas Dining Facility ranks as one of the best."

Army Sgt. Junior Anthony, S-1 Admin NCO, Alpha Company, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, Hometown: St. Croix, U.S. Virgin Islands



"Coming straight out of boot camp, the food here is definitely better, and the servers and other workers are friendly. I like recently how they have posted up on the entree lines the nutritional information on the food they serve. I do think though, that they ought to open later on weekends for breakfast being that most people, like me, don't get up that early on weekends."

Navy Seaman Karina Fernandez, Arabic student, Naval Security Group Detachment, Hometown: Chicago, Ill.



"Shortly after I got here, a survey was distributed asking what we, DLI students, would like to see changed. I put more vegetables and more fruit juices. Shortly after that survey, new juice machines were brought in, and also I've noticed more variety in the vegetables. They seem to be fresher as well."

Marine Corps Pfc. Paul Schwen, Arabic student, Marine Corps Detachment, Hometown: Provo, Utah



"Although I haven't been here at DLIFLC very long, I have noticed that the overall attitude of the people who work there has been great. They all are extremely helpful and cheerful. Also, they seem to have added more variety, not just in the food service lines, but also the salad bar. People really seem to be putting effort into making it a better chow hall altogether."

Marine Corps Pfc. Carra Hawkins, Korean student, Marine Corps Detachment, Hometown: Covelo, Calif.



"Food service is better and the quality has improved slightly. However, a good majority of the food is still fatty and greasy. I find myself eating off post more often than on post. Overall though, I guess it has improved some. They need to be more diligent about putting the calorie and fat count above the dishes."

Army Pfc. Amanda Lance, Persian-Farsi graduate and chaplain's aide currently, Alpha Company, 229th Military Intelligence Battalion, Hometown: Woodbridge, Va.

Dean's Honor Roll

ARABIC

First semester

Pfc. Suzanne Hendricks

Second semester

Seaman Judith Baker

Spc. Robert Dean

Lance Cpl. Benjamin Drew

Spc. Tarek Khowassah

Lance Cpl. Douglas McMillian

CHINESE

First semester

Pfc. Craig Linde

Third semester

Spc. Gregory Adams

Capt. Christopher Dicicco

Spc. Nichelle Graham

Pfc. Timothy Griswold

Airman 1st Class Eric Heinzer

Airman 1st Class Wendy Hertel

Airman 1st Class John Sanders

Pfc. Bradley Taylor

FRENCH

First semester

Spc. Harry Cordell

Seaman Apprentice Mindy Hutchison

ITALIAN

Second semester

Lt. Cmdr. Carlos Clarke

Ensign Gerald Lowe

Lt. Leslie Steele

Third semester

Special Agent Sharon Burnett

Capt. Scott Chowning

KOREAN

Second semester

Spc. Hyun Choi

Pfc. Luke Nielsen

Third semester

Sgt. Kirk Allen

Spc. Jeffrey Brown

Pfc. Hwan Chun

Pfc. Cody Coquat

Airman 1st Class Miguel Diaz

Spc. Mark Frazio

Pfc. Kenneth Frickle

Spc. Jeremy Gypton

Airman 1st Class Michael Harcarik

Pfc. Michael Laws Jr.

Airman 1st Class Irene Park

Spc. Robert Rawlings

Airman 1st Class David Ritz

Spc. Kelly Smith

PERSIAN-FARSI

First semester

Airman 1st Class Chasitie Ashworth

Airman 1st Class Christopher Dye

Spc. Donald Haddix

Airman 1st Class Jennifer Martz

Seaman David McAllister

Airman 1st Class Thomas Mortensen

Airman 1st Class Jason Smith

Airman 1st Class Adam Whitman

Airman David Wood

Spc. Chris Yonushonis

Third semester

Airman 1st Class Katayoun Bahramian

Airman 1st Class Scott Charles

Pfc. Robert Venosky

PORTUGUESE

Second semester

Spc. Joshua Gonzalez

Capt. Richard Sotto

RUSSIAN

First semester

Airman 1st Class B. J. Anderson

Airman 1st Class Albert Byrd

Sgt. Mathew Carruthers

Airman 1st Class Karla Daniels

Pfc. Amanda Fernandez

Spc. Karin Guthrie

Spc. Heather Hann

Airman 1st Class Amy Henkel

Lance Cpl. Bruce Henkel

Airman 1st Class Timothy Keller

Airman 1st Class Angelina Martinez

Pfc. Sean McNair

Seaman Apprentice Laura Parchman

Sgt. Joseph Phillips

Spc. Jamie Portel

Airman 1st Class Stephanie Porter

Pvt. 2 Jennifer Scanlon

Lance Cpl. Michael Snow

Spc. Kelley Swatsenbarg

Airman 1st Class Joshua Tesmer

Airman 1st Class Nikodem Tokarchik

Pfc. Laura Warren

Second semester

Pfc. Joseph Abreu

Capt. Nicholas Bernhardt

Sgt. Paul Bradbury

Capt. William English

Sgt. Jolynn Graham

Capt. Barry Huggins

Sgt. Kevin Jones

Lance Cpl. Thomas Jordan

Capt. Robert Mooney Jr.

Spc. Alesia O'Neill

Capt. Robin Phillips

Airman 1st Class Andrew Rippee

Airman 1st Class Thomas Schmitt

Capt. Walter Sweetser

Seaman Melvin Welch

Capt. James Zink

Third semester

Lance Cpl. Aric Andrews

Pfc. Kirk Dechant

Sgt. Brad Dorris

Airman 1st Class Shayna Foote

Airman 1st Class Kristi McCain

Airman 1st Class Richard McElmurry

Airman 1st Class April Mier

Seaman William Monden Jr.

Pfc. Veronica Roxby

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Graduations

CZECH

Spc. Adam Burling
Capt. John Dumond
Kristin Dumond
Staff Sgt. Dean Knofs
Sgt. 1st Class Keith Lundquist

FRENCH

Capt. David Abbinanti
Lt. Col. Blane Armstrong
Kathleen Armstrong
Col. Michael Broderick
Lt. Richard Cobb
Lt. Cmdr. Robert Cosgriff
Ensign James Hayes
Staff Sgt. Richard Hester
Lt. j.g. David Kaufman
Elise Lyons
Col. Thomas Lyons Jr.
Capt. Ryan McMullen
Capt. John Olson
Spc. Joseph Portelles
Col. George Reed
Margaret Ryan
Capt. Le Thi Sanford

ITALIAN

Special Agent Sharon Burnett
Petty Officer 1st Class Michael Childers
Capt. Scott Chowning
Sgt. Larry McDaniel
Lt. Erik Nilsson
Capt. Kevin Vizzarri

PERSIAN-FARSI

Airman 1st Class Katayoun Bahramian
Airman 1st Class Scott Charles
Airman 1st Class Erin Chesebro
Airman 1st Class Kimberly Dell
Seaman Jennifer Edwards
Spc. Todd Edwards
Airman 1st Class Jaime Encina
Seaman Lance Erickson
Airman 1st Class Elliot Ferris
Pfc. Michelle Garcia
Airman 1st Class Jody Giardina

Airman 1st Class Katrina Goler
Airman 1st Class Christopher Gunderson
Seaman Bryan Hamilton
Airman 1st Class Mackenzie Hunt
Seaman G.N. Janes
Airman 1st Class Adrienne Jenkins
Airman 1st Class William Kelch
Seaman Herbert McDuffie Jr.
Seaman Season McKendry
Airman 1st Class Tony McNeil
Sgt. Scott Miner
Airman 1st Class Thomas Mortensen
Airman 1st Class Rodolfo Ortiz III
Airman 1st Class Jason Smith
Airman 1st Class Kenneth Stark
Spc. David Tungesvik
Pvt. 2 Mary Matre
Pfc. Robert Venosky
Pfc. Nathaniel Walker
Airman 1st Class Michelle Wellwood
Staff Sgt. Robert Wills
Pfc. Ann Winkler
Seaman Apprentice Matthew Woloszyn

PORTUGUESE

Pvt. 2 Adrian Cason
Special Agent Brian Dykes
Kimberly Ell
Spc. Joshua Gonzalez
Pfc. Mark Langley
Pfc. Paul Ledesma
Pvt. 2 Casandra McDonald
Special Agent Richard Sotto
Staff Sgt. Janie Thomas
Spc. Maurice Valentine

RUSSIAN

Pfc. Brian Babcock
Cpl. Paul Bischoff
Seaman Andrea Cassidy
Spc. Joseph Chapell
Spc. Justin Childs
Airman 1st Class Frank Christiana
Pfc. Jeffery Clegg Jr.
Pfc. Tammy Dechant
Pfc. Meghan Dendorfer

Airman 1st Class Deborah Dias
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After 54 years of service

Col. Daniel Devlin, commandant of the Defense Language Institute Foreign Language Center and commander of DLIFLC and the Presidio of Monterey, gives a congratulatory hug to Nora Deis. Deis, who began working for the federal government in 1943, officially retired March 31, after 54 years of service. Her first federal job was clerk typist for the War Department in Ogden, Utah. However, in 1945 she joined the U.S. Women's Naval Reserves and served as a seaman 2nd class for the Naval Air Transport Service until June 1946 when she returned to her job in Ogden. Later she worked from 1950-1959 as a clerk and assistant at Fort Ord, from 1959-1983 as a specialist and supervisor at DLI, and from 1983 to present as a Supervisory Labor Relations Specialist at DLIFLC.

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